

Reflection Collection

Description:

Children will create a portfolio for their favorite artwork.

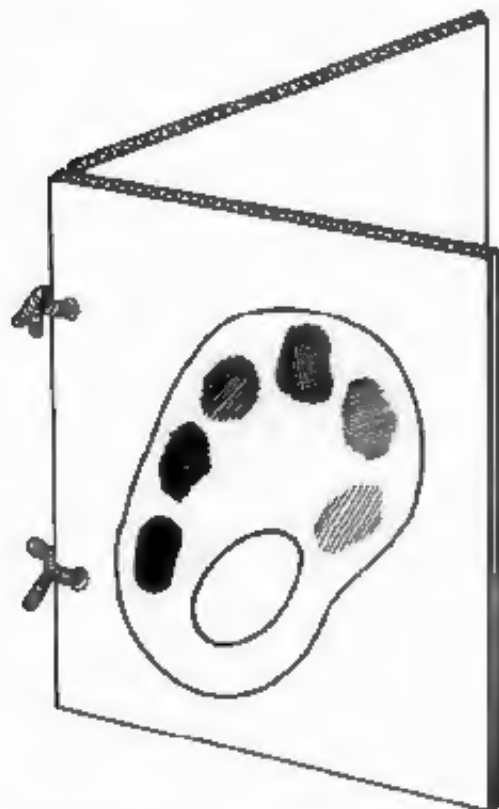
Materials:

two sheets of 3 ft. x 4 ft. corrugated cardboard, markers (crayons, paint, or pastels), hole punch, yarn



Standards: 5

Level: Pre K-3



Procedure:

It is very important to save your child's artwork. When he has collected his favorites, spend a few minutes talking about each work of art. Ask him open-ended questions like these: Why did you select this piece? How did you make that? How do these colors make you feel? Then have your child make a portfolio for the works of art he has selected. The size of the portfolio should be a little larger than the largest work of art. Take two sheets of cardboard or poster board, punch a couple of holes in the bottom edges of the board, and tie them together with heavy yarn. Let your child decorate the portfolio using media you have on hand. When the portfolio is complete, encourage your child to share it with family members.

Extension:

Mount an art exhibition featuring your child's favorite artwork. You can hang the art on the wall in a hallway or string a clothesline and pin the work to that. Your child will take pride in seeing his work on display.

Just for Kids:

Artists keep their favorite artworks safe by storing them in a portfolio. You can make a portfolio for your own favorites. Punch holes in two pieces of cardboard and attach the pieces by stringing yarn through them. (A grown-up can help you.) Decorate your portfolio with markers, crayons, or whatever you like. Now show off the portfolio and your artwork to family and friends.

